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THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Thursday, 30th April 1959.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Arranmore Palace, Ootacamund, at 1 p.m. Mr. Speaker (THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAU) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR : Sir, to-day we have as many as 70 questions on the list. I would request the Hon. Speaker to permit the hon. Members to exceed the question hour today by extending it by another hour if possible so that all the questions could be finished.

MR. SPEAKER : I am prepared to extend the question hour by half an hour or one hour if it is the desire of the House. But we can finish all the questions only if hon. Members do not put too many supplementary questions.

Another thing which I wish to bring to the notice of the hon. Members is this. The question list has been typed both in English and Tamil for want of time instead of the usual procedure of giving the translations also.

Community Development Programme

* 261 *Q.*—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI (on behalf of SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR) : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state the changes the Government have introduced and propose to introduce in the working of the Community Development Programme as per the recommendations of Mehta's Team?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : The most important changes that have been or are being introduced are those relating to the revision in the Community Development Programme with effect from 1st April 1958 and the setting up of self-governing institutions in the form of Panchayat Unions at the block level for attending to developmental functions. No other major changes are contemplated.

Khadi and Village Industries

* 262 *Q.*—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI (on behalf of SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) the industries started in the Tirunelveli district during the First Five-Year Plan period by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission and the amount spent thereon; and

(b) the industries proposed and started so far in

(i) Kanyakumari district, and

(ii) Tirunelveli district under the Second Five-Year Plan?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (a) During the First Five-Year Plan period there was only the All-India Khadi and Village Industries Board, which was an advisory body. The Khadi and Village Industries Commission which is a statutory body, came into existence only on 1st April 1957. No industry was started during the First Five-Year Plan.

(b) Statement [a] containing the particulars are placed on the table of the House.

Government Publications

* 263 *Q.*—SRI V. K. KOTHANDARAMAN (on behalf of SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR): Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the expenditure incurred in publishing 'Madras Information' and 'Grama Nalam' in 1957 and 1958; and

(b) the income derived by the sale of these publications during these years?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM:

(a) Madras Information—

January 1957–December 1957	...	...	39,004·61
January 1958–June 1958	...	...	19,868·65

Grama Nalam—

January 1957–December 1957	...	...	87,469·30
January 1958–June 1958	...	...	42,879·01

(b) Madras Information—

January 1957–December 1957	...	...	7,548·87
January 1958–June 1958	...	...	4,538·13

Grama Nalam—

January 1957–December 1957	...	...	10,978·25
January 1958–June 1958	...	...	4,655·77

SRI V. SUBBIAH: ஸார், "கிராம நலத்திற்கும்" "மட்ராஸ் இன்பர்மேஷன்" பத்திரிகைக்கும் எத்தனை பேர்கள் சந்தாதார்கள் இருக்கிறார்கள் என்பதை அறிவிக்க முடியுமா?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: அந்த விபரம் இப்போது என்னிடம் இல்லை.

[a] Printed as Appendix I on pages 787–789 infra.